*336. [*Transferred to the 21st March, 1988*].

Progress in Implementation of 20-Point Programme in Bihar ...

*337. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA : Will the Minister of PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the development made in Bihar in respect of implementation of 20-Point Programme during the year 1987; and

(b) what is the extent to which development is likely to be made in the current year in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BIREN SINGH ENGTI): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(i) The performance of Bihar in respect of the implementation of those items of the 20-Point Programme which are monitored on a monthly basis by the Ministry of Programme Implementation and are covered in its Monthly Progress Report is attached [*See* Appendix CXLV, Annexure No. 85].This statement relates to the performance of the period from April '87 to January '88.

(ii) Of the 28 items covered in the Monthly Progress Report, the performance of the Government of Bihar has been categorised as "Very Good" (90 per cent and above of the target) in respect of 21 items listed in the statement *attached*. The performance in respect of the remaining 7 items has been "Poor" (below 80 per cent each), also shown in the *attached* statement. On this basis, performance during the full year is expected to be "Very Good" in respect of the 21 items indicated above.

Talks with Bangladesh on T.N.V. Operations

*338. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state whether the matter regarding T.N.V. operation from their hide-outs in Bangladesh was taken up at the last SAARC Summit meeting with President Ershad of Bangladesh to end these terrorist activities, if so, what was the agreement reached?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): The subject of Bangladesh's support to the TNV has been taken up with that Government, including at the highest level, on a number of occasions.

During the SAARC Summit meeting in Kathmandu as well, PM had an exchange of views with President Ershad on the problem of cross-border insurgency.

Retirement Benefits to Handicapped Ex-Servicemen

*339. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the retirement benefits being given to the handicapped ex-servicemen employed in Central Government who seek voluntary retirement after putting in 20 years civil service; and

(b) whether they are eligible to receive their military pension alongwith the civil pension?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Central Government servants including handicapped ex-servicemen employed in Central